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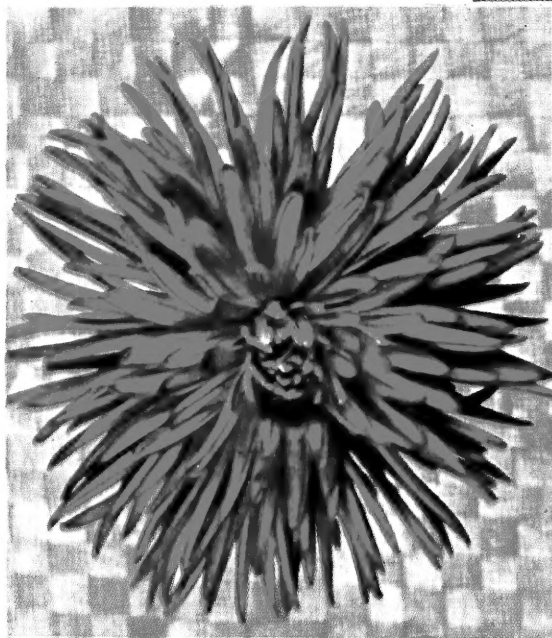
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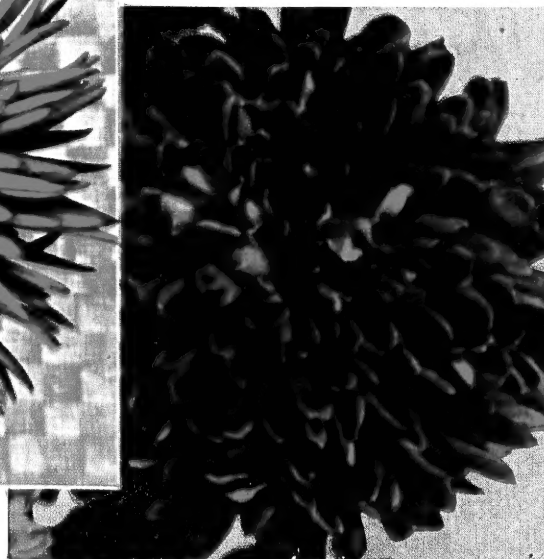
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D., Double; SD., Semi-double; S., Single

Name and Description	Height in Inches	Blooming Date	Price Each	Per 3
Alert. D. (Becker.) Large, early, dark purple with a silvery cast. One of the best.....	22	Sept. 20	\$0.60	\$1.50
Alex Cumming. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 2. New 1952. Opens pure cerise and matures to delightful rose. Petals incurved at center, recurved when open. Slight golden tinge at center. Good cut flower.....	28	Oct. 3	1.25	3.25
Ambassador. D. (Commercial.) Pictured p. 18. Large, incurved, cream-white. Disbud for 6 to 8-inch blooms.....	48	Oct. 23	.50	1.25
Amber Glow. D. (Youdath.) Pictured p. 14. Huge plant. Brilliant rosy bronze, brighter than Mrs. du Pont.....	24	Oct. 6	.50	1.25
Apache. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 2, 23. New 1953! Orient red to dark brilliant firecracker-red with golden overcast. Quilled petals. Very tough, weather-resistant flowers, 4 to 5 inches in diameter. In bloom from mid-September to November.....	22	Sept. 15	.75	2.00
Apple Blossom. D. (Rosebud.) Pictured p. 11. Apple-blossom-pink, fading to clear white. Cactus-like petals on 2½-inch flowers. Strong grower.....	26	Sept. 15	.60	1.50
Apricot Spoon. S. (Lehman.) A pleasingly different spoon of light apricot-rose.....	25	Oct. 5	.75	2.00
Autumn Beauty. D. (Wallie's Gdns.) Pictured p. 7. A new brilliant sparkling reddish chestnut. The best early bronze.....	15	Sept. 4	.75	2.00
Autumn Greetings. SD. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 18. Bright copper and gold. Excellent for mass planting.....	22	Sept. 14	.50	1.25
Autumnsong. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 9. Large, wine-red shading to carmine. Entirely different color in Mums.....	20	Sept. 12	.60	1.50
Autumntide. D. A beautiful blend of salmon-coral with a golden undertone.....	22	Sept. 14	.50	1.25
Avalanche. D. (Dreer.) Pictured p. 16, 23. The world's best large creamy white. Everyone's favorite. Top-notch for cutting.....	20	Sept. 4	.50	1.25
Beacon. D. Pictured p. 8, 17. Full double, 4-inch flower of coral-apricot shading to flaming nasturtium-orange at center. Tall, sturdy plant for cutting.....	30	Oct. 8	.75	2.00
Betty. SD. (C-P.) Pictured p. 16. Splendid upright rose-pink without a trace of magenta. One of the finest pinks.....	28	Sept. 28	.50	1.25
Biretta. D. (Kraus.) New 1953! Glowing soft cardinal-red aging to pastel-red. Long flat petals and full soft flower gives fluffy effect when old. Tall, upright plant in bloom last week in September through October.....	34	Sept. 23	.75	2.00

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Blushwhite. S. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. Large, pert and crisp, chalk-white flowers underlaid with soft lavender. Tube and spoon equal in length. Never a misformed flower. The criterion for spoon Mums.....	22	Oct. 7	\$0.75	\$2.00
Bronze Cushion. D. Beautiful coppery bronze cushion. Color lightens with age.....	18	Sept. 28	.50	1.25
Canary. D. Compact mound of large, light yellow flowers. Excellent for border planting.....	18	Sept. 15	.60	1.50
Canary Wonder. D. (Bristol.) Ball-shaped, 1½-inch flowers of soft canary-primrose-yellow. Tall, just right for cutting.....	30	Oct. 1	1.00	2.50
Candelight. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 9. Well-formed flowers of ivory-white. Excellent plant and foliage habits.....	20	Sept. 4	.50	1.25
Carmine Queen. D. (DePetris.) Pictured p. 11. Tall, large, carmine-red. A luxuriant cut flower.....	28	Oct. 10	.75	2.00
Carnival. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 9. A large, gleaming burnt-orange flower. An excellent plant with lusty green foliage.....	30	Oct. 10	.75	2.00
Cecil Beed. D. (Wallie's Gdns.) Pictured p. 11. Splendid early, full double, deep lavender-pink. Very dependable and free-flowering.....	24	Sept. 1	.75	2.00
Champion Cushion. D. Distinct deep rosy red aging to reddish bronze.....	20	Sept. 30	.50	1.25
Charles Nye. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 11, 14, 17. Large, 3-inch, fully double, rounded flowers of buttercup-yellow. Excellent.....	28	Sept. 24	.50	1.25
Charm Spoon. S. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. Opens lovely rhodnite-red and fades gradually to rich rusty rose. Very free flowering.....	26	Sept. 28	.50	1.25
Chippewa. D. (Longley.) Pictured p. 7. Gorgeous, bright aster-purple, slightly incurved. Does especially well in the North.....	24	Sept. 4	.65	1.60
Chiquita. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 8, 15. A compact, dome-shaped pompon of deep lemon-yellow. One of the finest yellow pompons.....	20	Sept. 28	.60	1.50
Chorale. D. (Kraus.) Biscuit-shaped flowers of light phlox-pink lightening to pale greenish yellow at center, aging to chalk-white. Long-lasting bloom.....	22	Sept. 22	.75	2.00
Chris Columbus. D. (Rosebud.) Pictured p. 8. A most outstanding ivory-white. Luxuriant growth; unexcelled for cutting.....	26	Sept. 28	.60	1.50
Courageous. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 17. Shining dark ruby-red, large double flowers. A truly magnificent plant.....	24	Sept. 26	.60	1.50

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Crown Jewel. D. (Kraus.) New 1953! A 3-inch currant-red flower with a brilliant sheen, which slowly shades to old-rose. Strong, sturdy, free-blooming plant. Fine in the garden through October.27		Sept. 23	\$0.75	\$2.00	Goldheart. D. (Kraus.) New 1952! Large, 4-inch, globular flowers. Creamy primrose with edges aging to a pure white. Petals are incurved. Free-flowering, compact bush.18		Oct. 1	\$1.00	\$2.50
Cydonia. D. Pictured p. 14. Brilliant orange-chestnut overlaid with mahogany. Everyone likes it.30		Oct. 8	.50	1.25	Gold Spoon. D. (Lehman.) Large flower of gold shading to aurolin-yellow on a dwarf plant. Tube longer than spoon and always about the same color.18		Oct. 1	.60	1.50
Dainty. D. (Lehman.) A beautiful blend of light lavender-lilac aging to soft white with silvery cast.16		Aug. 27	.50	1.25	Harvest Bronze. D. (U. of Minn.) New 1952! A rich apricot-bronze with a gold undertone. Large 3-inch flowers on a low plant good for a flower border. Very early.15		Aug. 20	.75	2.00
Defiance. D. (Kraus.) A bold flower of intense golden yellow with quilled petals. Exceptionally firm substance. Strong, upright plant with excellent cutting stems.26		Sept. 17	.60	1.50	Hero. D. (Kraus.) Bright gleaming scarlet-red to spectrum-red. Free flowering.24		Oct. 1	.60	1.50
Delight. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 11. New 1953! Large, perfect flower of golden yellow. Excellent plant and clean, green foliage.26		Sept. 7	.75	2.00	Holiday. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 8, 9, 23. Strong plant supporting an abundance of bronze-gold flowers with pure bronze center. Large flower, excellent when cut. Still making an extra-good showing since its introduction.24		Sept. 27	.75	2.00
Drifted Snow. D. (Kraus.) A mound of large, fully double, snow-white flowers shaded cream at center.24		Sept. 16	.50	1.25	Huntsman. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 9. Bright scarlet-orange overlaid with bronze tints. Growth much like its parent, Carnival. Hardy and a good cut flower.30		Oct. 10	.75	2.00
Dr. L. E. Longley. D. (U. of Minn.) Fully double, bright rose-pink. Very good, early.24		Aug. 20	.75	2.00	Innocence. D. (Grand Mere.) Introduced in 1951! Perfectly formed, 4-inch pure chalk-white blooms on stiff stems. Spreading plant; superb as a late pot plant variety.24		Oct. 12	1.00	2.50
Early Crimson. D. (Lehman.) New 1953! A grand crimp-petaled, bright crimson. Flat flowers on a rigid, upright plant. Very hardy.26		Sept. 14	.75	2.00	Jayeff. D. (Martin.) Four-inch, full double flowers of deep positive pink, with a dazzling, drifting sheen. Holds color till frost.24		Sept. 25	.75	2.00
Early Gold. D. (Lehman.) Very early! Bright golden yellow pompon with contrasting dark green foliage. Excellent for pots or borders.18		Sept. 4	.60	1.50	Joan Helen. SD. (Heuser.) Sparkling garnet-lake shading to purple; bright yellow center. Makes an excellent border.18		Sept. 10	.50	1.25
Early Wonder. D. Pictured p. 15. Large, soft pink pompon. Excellent for cutting.38		Sept. 30	.60	1.50	Jubilee. D. (Bristol.) New 1952! Opens crimson, mellowing to a deep clear red. Plant all aglow for weeks.18		Oct. 1	1.00	2.50
Echoes. SD. (Kraus.) Rich vandyke-brown toned copper, becoming orange at center.22		Oct. 1	.50	1.25	Kathleen Lehman. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 8, 16. Brightest orange-gold, deepening to red-gold at center. Exciting bronze shades.28		Sept. 28	.75	2.00
Ermine. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 11. Fully double, wide-petaled, pure white with cream center. Tall, sturdy plant and vigorous grower. Excellent when cut.30		Oct. 1	.75	2.00	Kay Tashima. D. (Commercial.) Large white, spider-flowering variety. Tender. A knock-out.36 to 48		Nov. 1	.50	1.25
Fascination. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 2. New 1952. Stunning 4-inch silvery lavender-pink, a little deeper at center; buds rosy red. It occasionally throws a flower of dreamy white.24		Sept. 28	1.00	2.50	Lavender Spoon. S. (Lehman.) Lovely purple spoon with silver lining and tubes. Early; tall, upright grower.26		Sept. 20	.60	1.50
Fire Engine. S. (Lehman.) Shining dark cardinal-red single with bright orange reverse. Petals open somewhat spoon shaped. Tall, showy grower.36		Oct. 1	.60	1.50	Lee Powell. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 16, 23. Masses of fluffy Chinese-yellow flowers with a slight orange tinge at center. Very similar to large greenhouse varieties. Tall, upright bush. Nothing approaches it in hardy Mums.30		Sept. 23	.75	2.00
Garnet Spoon. S. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. Tall, upright red spoons with purple tubes and a domed yellow center.26		Oct. 4	.60	1.50	Lemon Drop. D. (Lehman.) A very becoming yellow button pompon with a slight green overtone radiating from the center. Extra-fine foliage and habit. Very hardy.17		Sept. 8	.60	1.50
Gladness. D. (Kraus.) Fully double, clear China-rose. Dwarf, free-flowering plant. Winter hardy and one of the first to bloom.18		Aug. 28	.50	1.25	Lilac Spoon. S. (Lehman.) Large, wide-petaled flowers of lilac-pink with silvery white tubes.24		Oct. 1	.60	1.50
Golden Carpet. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 17. A creeping mound of golden yellow pompons. Superb for border.12		Sept. 16	.75	2.00	Lorenzo. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 8. Rich dark Dianthus purple. Quilled petals like a cactus dahlia.26		Sept. 15	.50	1.25
Golden Gopher. D. (Kraus.) Deep cadmium-orange with tints of buttercup-yellow on tips of petals. Upright plant with flat flower.24		Sept. 20	.60	1.50	Loveliness Spoon. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. A superb, fully double, carmine-pink spoon. Unique and outstanding.20		Sept. 26	.60	1.50
Golden Hours. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 7. Early, double, deep lemon-chrome. Petals broad, overlapping and somewhat incurved. Most outstanding, very early cut flower.26		Sept. 8	.50	1.25	Magenta Spoon. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 10. Lively magenta-rose, spoon flowers in profusion. Perfection in spoon Mums.22		Oct. 1	.60	1.50
Golden Mound. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 8. Excellent golden yellow cushion. Numerous 2-inch flowers on short, dark green branches. Makes a fine early pot plant.18		Sept. 12	.50	1.25	Magnificent. D. (Kraus.) Glorious 4-inch flowers of plum-red or rosy cardinal with coppery cast. Excellent for cutting.26		Oct. 1	.60	1.60
					Mahogany Cushion. D. (Lehman.) Twisted petals of jasper-red shading to mahogany. Large cushion plant.20		Sept. 28	.50	1.25

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Major Cushion. D. (Harris.) Super cushion of bright pink. Solid flowers and abundant bloom. Will not fade.	15	Sept. 25	\$0.50	\$1.25	Pink Opal. D. (Kraus.) Pale pearl-rose overlaid with cream tints. Extremely delicate and refined; coloring distinct and clear. Four-inch, full, flattened flowers. Beautiful.	26	Sept. 28	\$0.75	\$2.00
Malinda Brown. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 23. A magnificent clear self lavender-pink. Flowers globular, mounded at center; petals strongly incurved and twisted. Very strong and healthy.	24	Sept. 27	.75	2.00	Pink Princess. D. (Peck.) Dainty baby-pink buttons on strong, husky plants.	22	Sept. 20	.50	1.25
Mary Harrison. SD. (Kraus.) Bright glowing aster-purple, lightening to phlox-purple. Excellent for cutting. Tremendously impressive.	30	Sept. 26	.60	1.50	Pink Quill. A large full-centered spidery quill. Outer petals flesh to shell-pink, shading to salmon-pink in center. A gorgeous new thing.	24	Sept. 25	1.00	2.50
Masquerade. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 15. A glistening mass of silvery lavender and rose pompons. Trim, neat, compact flowers completely smother the plant. One of the better new Mums.	24	Oct. 6	1.00	2.50	Pink Radiance. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 15. Multitudes of highly luminous pink blossoms on rugged plants.	22	Sept. 24	.50	1.25
Misty Maid. D. (Bristol.) Buds are very deep rose with flowers of soft delicate shell-pink. Makes huge sprays of cut flowers.	24	Sept. 22	1.00	2.50	Prelude. D. (Kraus.) Very large. Color combination of flesh-pink and maize-apricot. Unexcelled for early cutting.	30	Sept. 9	.60	1.50
Moonbeams. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 14. Fluffy, soft primrose-yellow flowers, 3½ inches in diameter. An improved Pale Moon. Good cut.	33	Oct. 1	.75	2.00	Pumpkin Spoon. S. (Lehman.) Densely branched plant with 3-inch flowers of persimmon-orange aging to stafford-yellow. Very free flowering and excellent when cut. Tubes tend to open when matured, giving effect of a bronze single. Most exciting color combination.	30	Sept. 30	.75	2.00
Moonlight. D. (U. of Minn.) A promising new, very early, light primrose.	16	Aug. 26	.50	1.25	Quilled Cushion. D. (Lehman.) Opens Oriental-red aging to bright bronze. Has twilled petals of cactus dahlia type.	20	Sept. 30	.50	1.25
Mrs. H. E. Kidder. D. (Commercial.) Pictured p. 18. Bright yellow, incurved flowers, 7 inches across. Disbud.	48	Oct. 20	.50	1.25	Red Torch. S. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 18. Bright single red. A replacement for Louise Schling. A bit late but frost hardy. A mass of striking color when in full bloom.	30	Oct. 5	.60	1.50
Mrs. P. S. du Pont III. D. (Bristol.) Peach-pink tinted rosy salmon-bronze. Still one of the best pastels.	26	Oct. 5	.60	1.50	Remembrance. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 8. A deep ruby-carmine color that is retained for the life of the flower. One of the very best reds. Frost hardy.	24	Sept. 27	.75	2.00
Myrtle Walgreen. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 11. Rich amaranth-purple underlaid with silvery lilac, aging to clean, clear mallow-purple. Excellent.	26	Sept. 28	.50	1.25	Rosita. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 15. Compact, light Persian-rose button pompon. A multitude of pink buttons.	26	Sept. 24	.50	1.25
Olive Longland. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 11. Three-inch, apricot-toned salmon-pink. One of the best of the pastel colors.	24	Sept. 26	.50	1.25	Rouge Cushion. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 8. A far superior red semi-cushion. Intense red-bronze flowers show a small bright yellow center when matured.	15	Sept. 20	.75	2.00
Orangebuff. Spoon. (Lehman.) Masses of bright, glowing orange-buff flowers completely cover the plant. Broad, long spoons with shorter tubes. Extremely fine, tall, spreading plant. Very attractive as a pot plant.	24	Oct. 3	.60	1.50	Royal Robe. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 17. Beet-root-purple flower with a bluish sheen reflecting from the center. A very good all-round variety. Color superb.	27	Sept. 15	.75	2.00
Orangepomp. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 15. New 1953! Very early, colorful bronze to orange pompon. Small flowers smother the plant in a beautiful mass of color. A companion for Golden Gopher.	24	Sept. 20	.75	2.00	Rusty Red. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 18. New 1953! The earliest and longest lasting red in existence. Opens cherry-red aging to a live rust. Very prolific bloom.	22	Sept. 14	.75	2.00
Orchid Helen. D. (Becker.) Pictured p. 9. Sturdy, orchid-pink flowers of unusual beauty. Very strong, healthy growth.	18	Sept. 10	.60	1.50	Ruthann Lehman. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 9. Immense, canary-yellow flower. Excellent plant and growth habit. A fine cut-flower variety.	24	Sept. 12	.75	2.00
Paper White. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 7. Extra pure white flowers on dwarf plant. Excellent-textured, wide, flat petals. Does exceptionally well in the North.	18	Sept. 10	.60	1.50	September Cheer. D. A rich cherry-red on a short, bushy plant, making an exquisite pot plant.	20	Sept. 15	.50	1.25
Patricia Lehman. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 16, 23. Sparkling geranium-pink with peach center. Recurved and twisted petals give a fluffy, feathery effect. Strong growth, good for cut flowers. Seems to improve each fall.	24	Sept. 28	.75	2.00	September Dawn. D. Pictured p. 17. One of the best rose-pinks. A beautiful plant for potting.	22	Sept. 26	.50	1.25
Peach Spoon. D. (Lehman.) Large, lively peach-colored spoons with Chinese-yellow tubes aging to pinkish peach. Outstanding.	22	Oct. 8	.60	1.50	Shalimar. D. (Kraus.) Large, saucer-shaped, cream-white with sulphur-yellow center. Masses of flowers cover the strong, upright plant.	28	Sept. 24	.75	2.00
Pepita. D. (Kraus.) Densely quilled, button pompon of eggshell-white with a cream center. Whole flower brightens with age.	22	Sept. 28	.50	1.25	Sienna. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 15. Dark reddish orange toned burnt-sienna-brown. A heavy-textured, long-lasting flower.	18	Sept. 16	.50	1.25
Pink Chief. D. (Commercial.) Pictured p. 18. Large flower of lavender-pink. Disbud for 6 and 7-inch flowers.	32	Oct. 15	.50	1.25	Silver Sheen. D. (Commercial.) Pictured p. 18. Popular large incurved white. Disbud for 6 or 7-inch flowers.	38	Oct. 18	.50	1.25
					Snowfall. D. (Kraus.) Virgin-white, slightly cream at center. Petals rolled and pointed. Good for border.	20	Sept. 28	.50	1.25
					Spindrift. D. (Bristol.) Pictured p. 2. New 1952! Luscious pure white with cream center. Slight cactus flare, like a dahlia. Three-inch flowers on 2-foot plants. Wonderful when cut.	24	Oct. 3	1.00	2.50

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Success. D. (C-P.) Pictured p. 2. Large, rich, never-fading flowers of deep crimson. Rigid, upright plant. Very clean.....	22	Oct. 7	\$1.00	\$2.50	Violet. D. (Longley.) Pictured p. 7. The best very early purple. Full, dahlia-like bloom with good color and substance.....	20	Aug. 26	\$0.50	\$1.25
Successor. D. (Becker.) A grand, erect, pink cushion with a bright red center. Pointed petals add to the exciting two-toned contrast.....	22	Sept. 14	.50	1.25	White Bounty. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 15. Small white button pompon with small sulphur-yellow center. A good, lasting cut flower.....	26	Sept. 16	.60	1.50
Sulphur Spoon. Spoon. (Lehman.) One of our earliest spoons of mimosa to sulphur-yellow. Three layers of flat, spoon-shaped petals surround a fine yellow center.....	22	Sept. 28	.60	1.50	White Tower. D. (Becker.) Free-flowering, creamy white pompon maturing to pure white. Very tall, sturdy plants; excellent for cutting.....	36	Sept. 20	.50	1.25
Talisman. D. (Kraus.) A button pompon of soft apricot overlaid with lavender-rose. Bud sport of Rosita.....	26	Sept. 24	.60	1.50	Winterset. D. (Peck.) Pictured p. 17. Strong-growing, large, snow-white. A timely cut and garden Mum. One of our best whites.....	28	Oct. 2	.50	1.25
Tangerine. D. (Kraus.) Flaring Spanish-orange to grenadine-red.....	22	Sept. 27	.60	1.50	Yellow Avalanche. D. (Lehman.) Pictured p. 8, 14. A brilliant soft yellow bud sport of the popular white Avalanche. Unexcelled for cutting and unsurpassed in beauty.....	22	Sept. 4	.50	1.25
Tecumseh. D. (U. of Neb.) Opens earth-red aging to a buffy bronze with pink edges. Cushion growth.....	18	Sept. 2	.60	1.50	Yellow Blanket. D. (Peck.) Pictured p. 15. Very free-flowering, clear yellow button. Tops for cutting. Much better than Judith Anderson.....	20	Oct. 10	.50	1.25
Time. D. (C-P.) Pictured p. 2. Very attractive, large, live orchid-lavender blooms. Clean, medium tall plant.....	24	Oct. 10	1.00	2.50	Yellow Chris Columbus. D. (Neal Bros.) An extra bright lemon-colored sport of Chris Columbus.....	26	Sept. 15	.60	1.50
Tribute. D. (Kraus.) Pictured p. 7. Large, fully double flower opening bright daphne-red and maturing to daphne-pink. Highly recommended for the garden.....	22	Sept. 14	.60	1.50	Yellow Cushion Improved. D. (Lehman.) Hundreds of fully double, bright yellow flowers on mound-like plants.....	18	Sept. 18	.50	1.25
Tussore. S. (Kraus.) Exceptionally fine orchid-pink. One of our best-liked singles.....	20	Sept. 30	.50	1.25	Yellow Ermine. A bud sport of Ermine. Glorious, fluffy light chrome-yellow flowers in abundance on long stems.....	30	Oct. 1	.75	2.00
Twilight. D. (Kraus.) A pleasing fuchsia-purple underlaid with silver. Strong, well-branched growth.....	24	Oct. 5	.50	1.25	Yellow Lace. D. (Commercial.) Large double spider-flower of bright yellow.....	36 to 48	Nov. 1	.50	1.25
Valiant. SD. (Kraus.) A gaudy flower with long petals of rose-scarlet with a big, clear yellow center.....	25	Sept. 27	.60	1.50	Yellow Spoon. S. Pictured p. 10. Very fine, bright, clear golden yellow tubes and spoons.....	22	Oct. 8	.60	1.50

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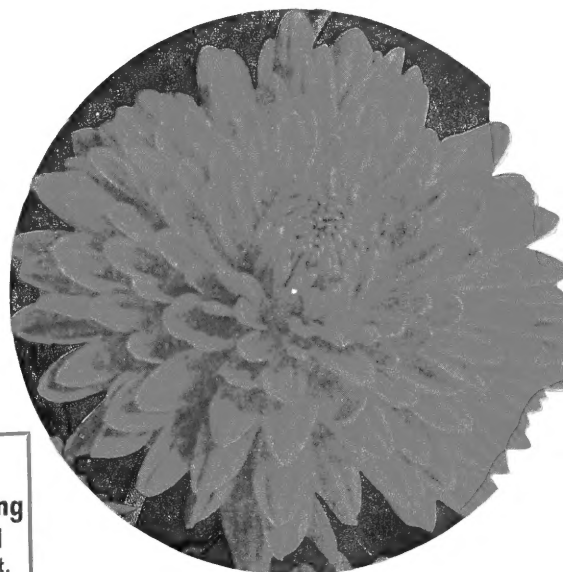
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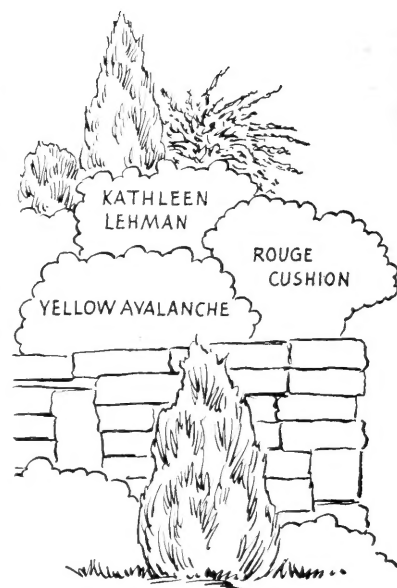
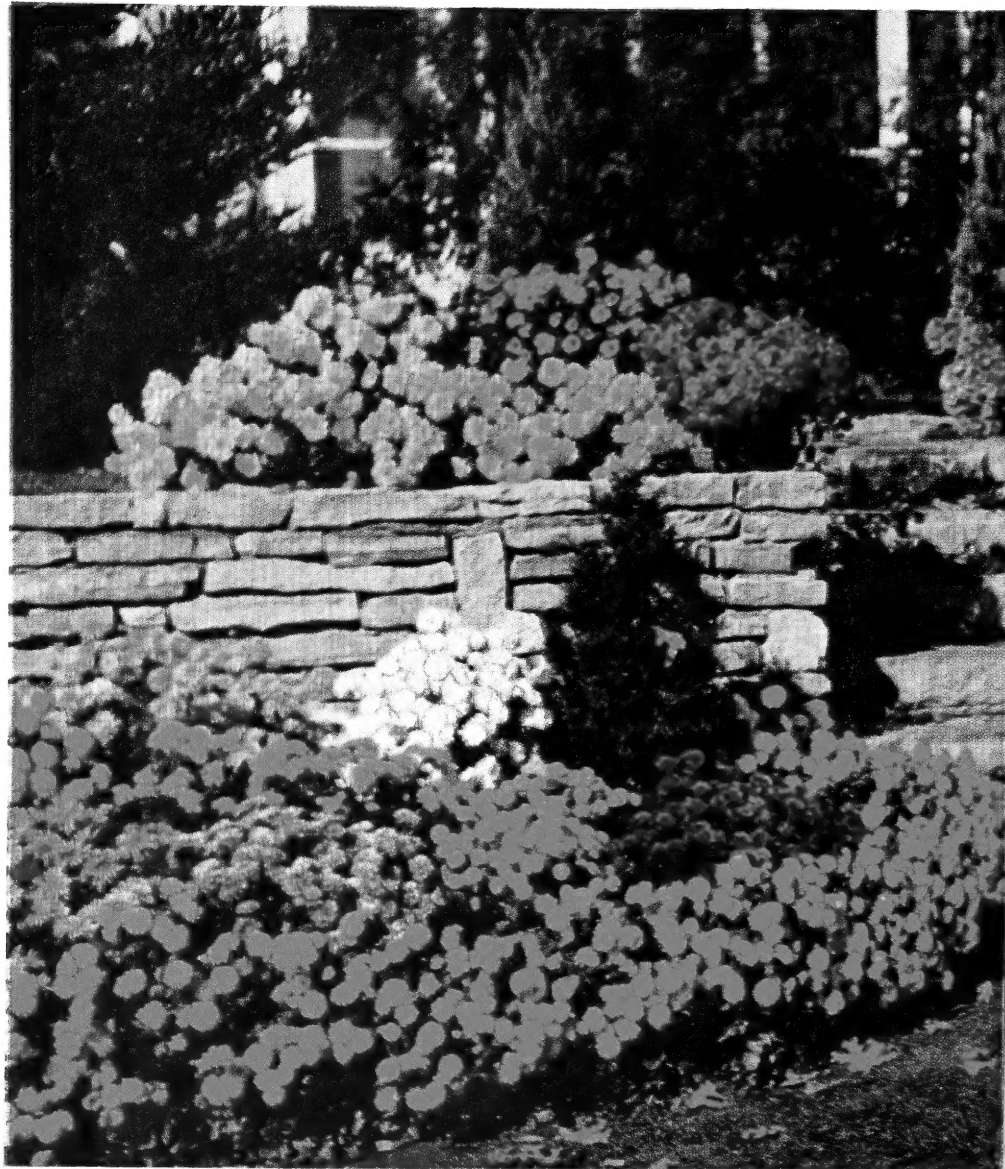


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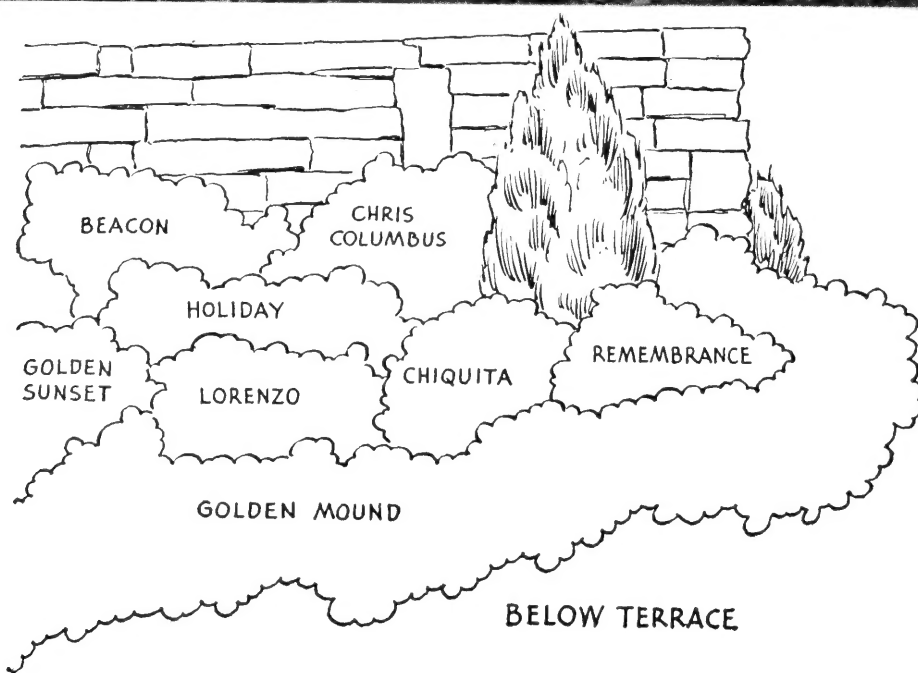


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Beat the frost. All
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6 Sure-to-Bloom **\$2.75**
Plants (1 of each pictured)
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11 Sure-to-Bloom Plants

(1 of each pictured)

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COLLECTION**

A planting of this collection will bring
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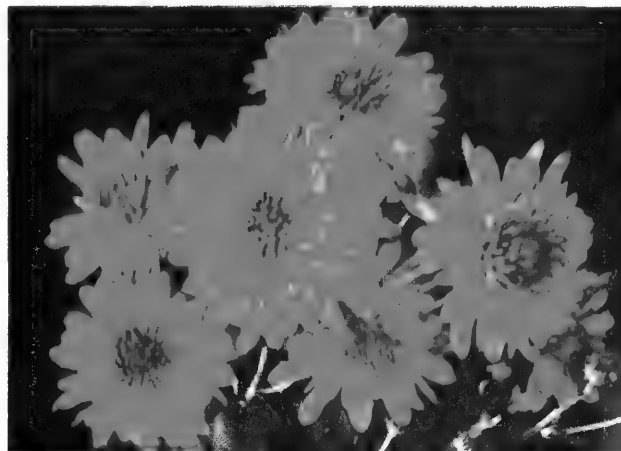
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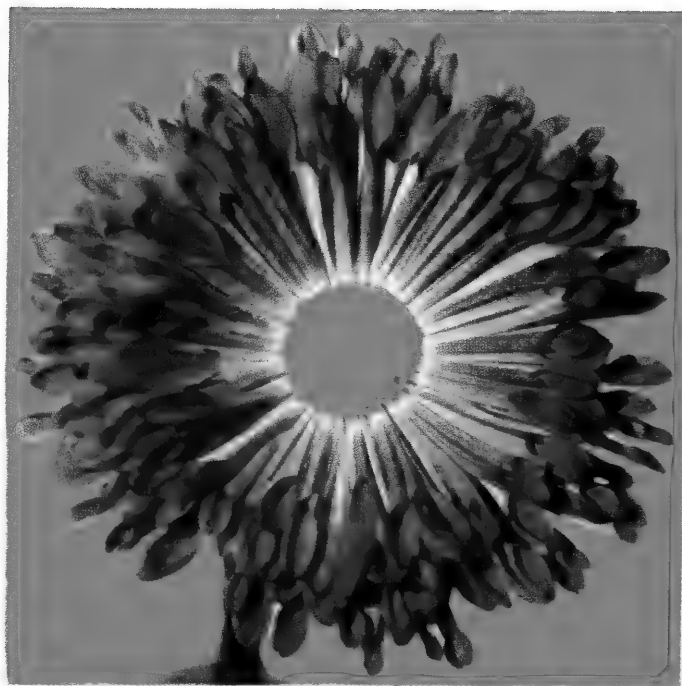


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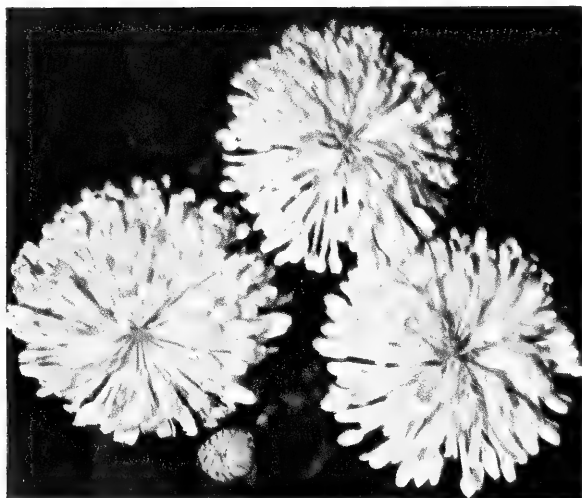
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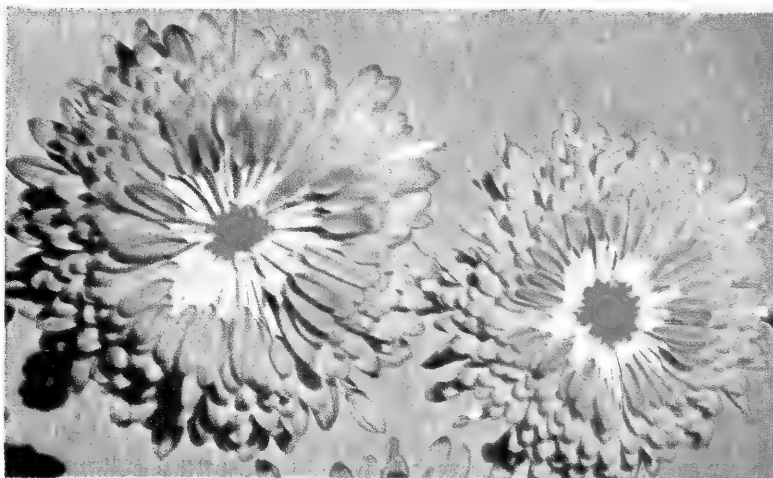
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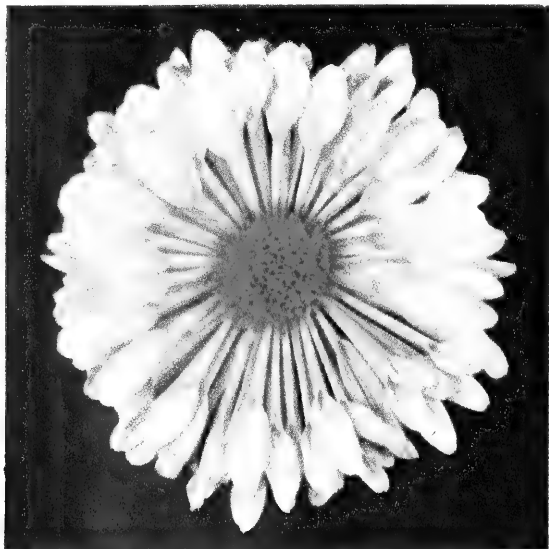
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Favorite Spoon
COLLECTION

We consider these six the best
of all spoon varieties.

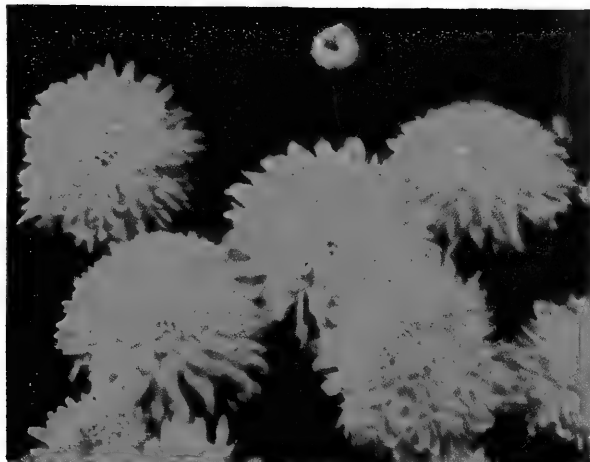
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18 Plants (3 of each) \$8.50



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DELIGHT. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00

9 DELIGHTFUL MUMS

A highly pleasing group combined to give lasting enjoyment.

9 Sure-to-Bloom Plants \$4.80

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OLIVE LONGLAND. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25



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will be labeled and

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Bloom*



Enola, Penna.

Never in 25 years' gardening have I received so fine a shipment of plants. They were fine strong plants, expertly packed, fresh, with not a single leaf disturbed.—Mrs. M. P.

Ottawa, Ill.

Last year the plants you sent me were received in wonderful shape. Never had them arrive in so good condition from any other grower. Must compliment you. Also had wonderful success with them. So, another order.—F. A. G.

Holyoke, Mass.

The package of Mums arrived today, all in very good condition. No words can express how pleased I am with your generosity. Your prices are so reasonable and yet you are so generous with gratis ones. Thank you very much. Wishing you a very good Mum year.—Mrs. F. T. D.

Hunters, Wash.

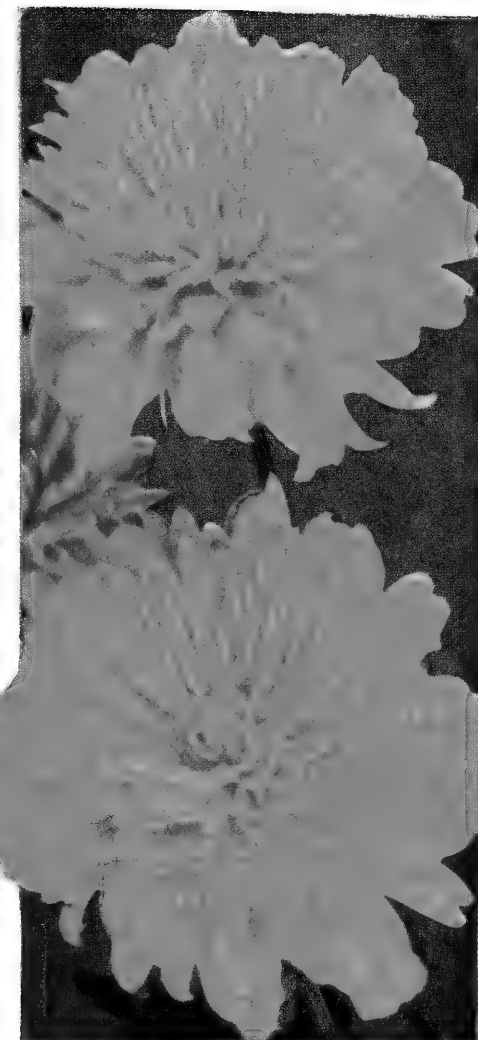
In sending my order, I want to add a few lines about my pleasure in the Mums I received last year. They arrived in perfect condition, all growing to beautiful plants and blooms. Thanks a million for your nice service.—Mrs. A. O. D.

Logan, Utah

Last year our Mums from you were wonderful—all bloomed very well and of the 25 all lived through the winter and are very strong plants now. We are very well pleased, for we feel that this is a splendid record.—A. A. B.

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For several years I have been getting a few of your Mums, and this year I had the loveliest Mum garden I ever had. I want to thank you for producing such loveliness for the public to enjoy and the early-blooming plants.—I. M. P.



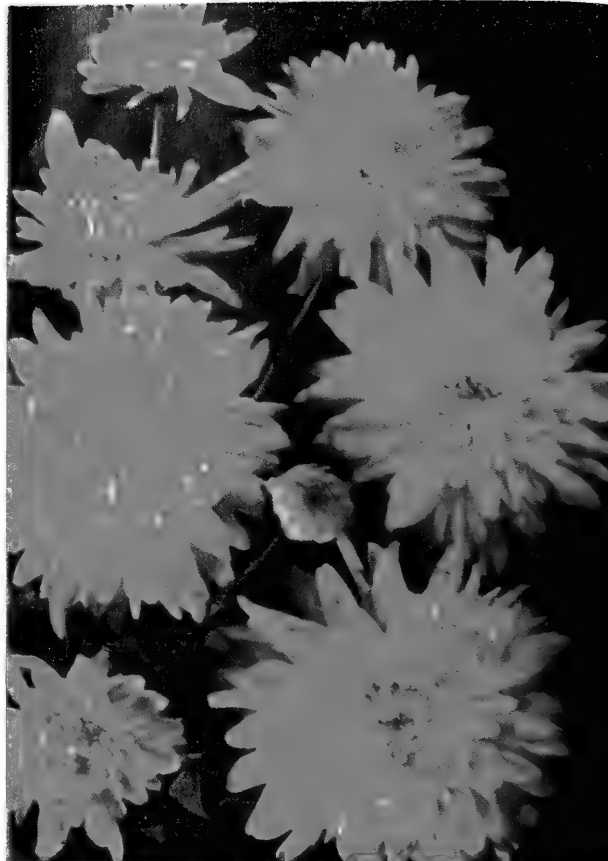
5 *Old Standby Collection*

These have all been tried
 and proved.

5 Sure-to-Bloom Plants
(1 of each pictured)

\$2.30

15 Plants \$5.80
(3 of each)



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Perky
Pompons

These buttons and pompons
are always delightful

9 Sure-to-Bloom Plants
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27 Plants (3 of each) \$11.90



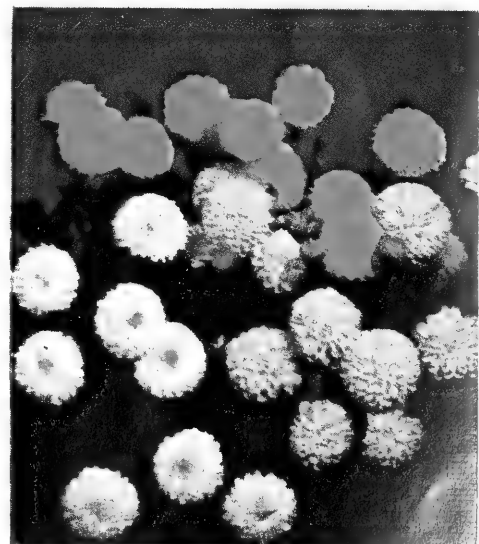
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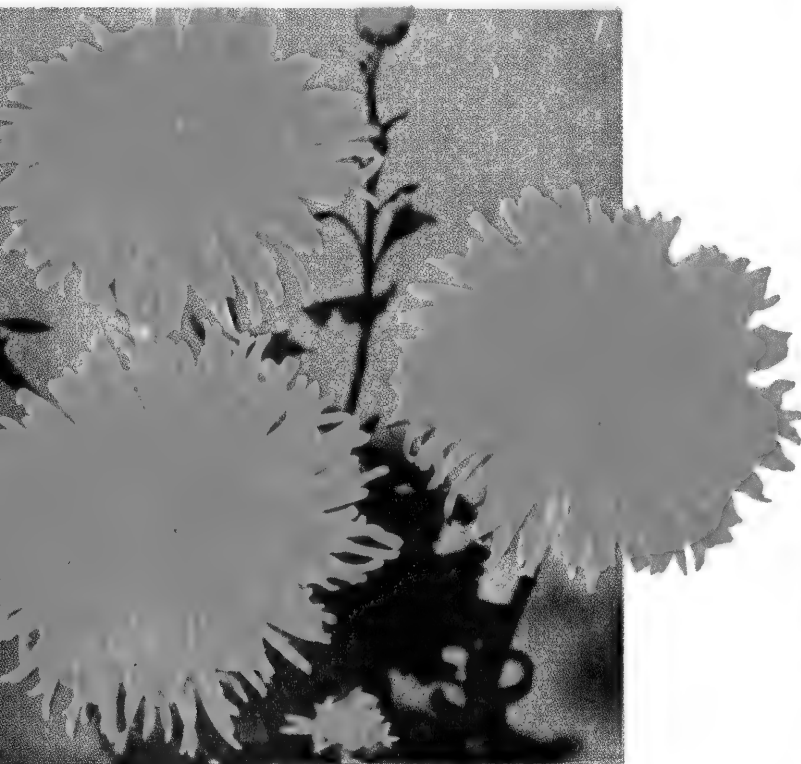
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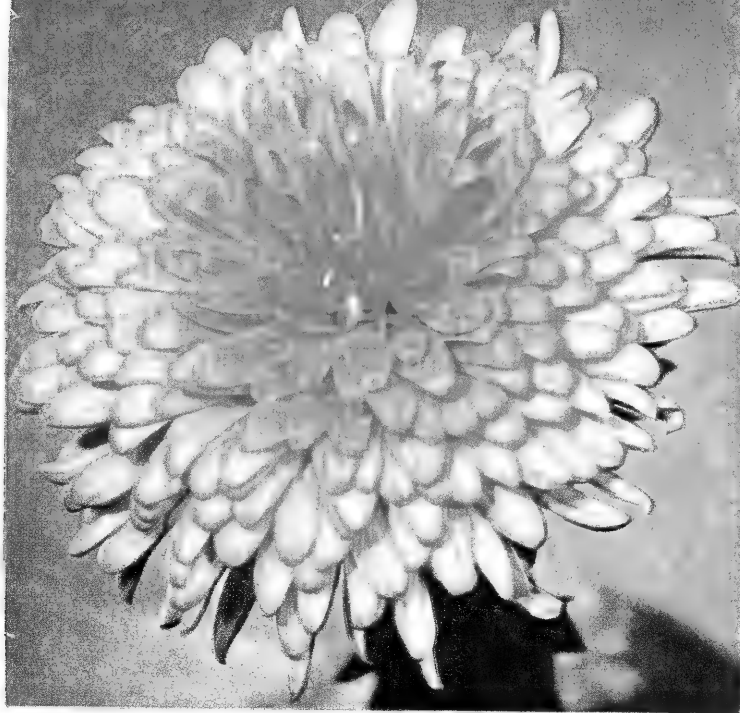
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Vivacious cut flowers at a very cut price

5 Sure-to-Bloom Plants \$2.50
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15 Plants (3 of each) \$7.00



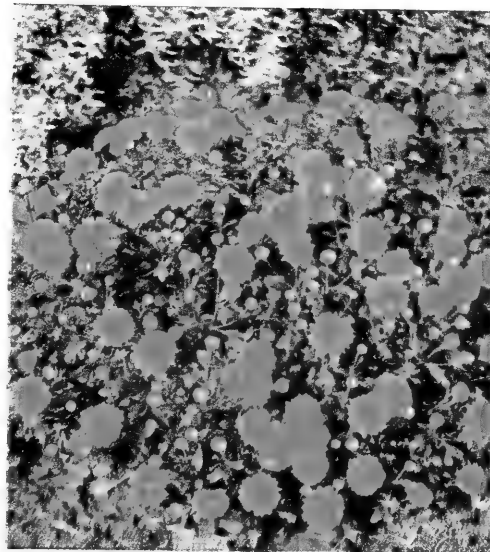
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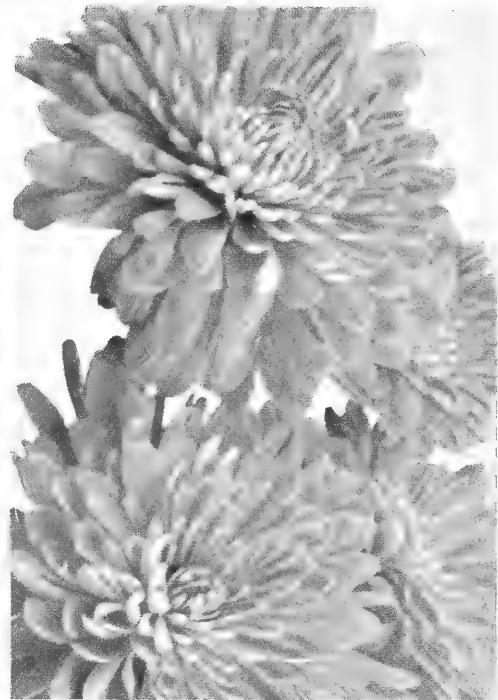
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Long and Short
COLLECTION

Plants in this group range
from the tallest to the shortest
kinds.

7 Sure-to-Bloom Plants
(1 of each pictured)

\$3.75

21 Plants (3 of each) \$10.00



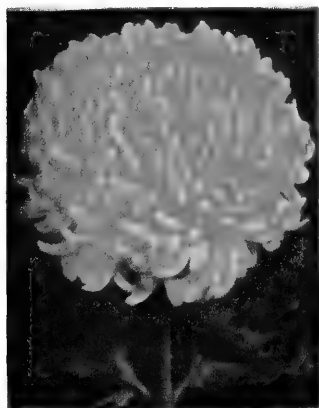
WINTERSET. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25



SILVER SHEEN. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25

Grow the Big Greenhouse Mums in Your Garden

These large Mums are becoming more popular for garden planting each season. They are not hardy in MINNESOTA but can be successfully grown and wintered in the South and along the West Coast. In the North they can be grown outside in the garden until frost time in the fall, when they can be potted up and brought inside to flower. To produce those big blooms they should be disbudded, leaving from one to three flowers per plant. They should be grown tied to a stake. Well-grown specimens are a magnificent sight at blooming time.



MRS. H. E. KIDDER
50c each; 3 for \$1.25



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AMBASSADOR. Big cream-white incurved.
Oct. 23. 50c each.

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6 Sure-to-Bloom Plants **\$2.75**
(1 of each listed)



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for \$2.50
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KNEE-DEEP IN MUMS AT THE LEHMAN GARDENS

SPECIAL OFFER!

35 All-American Mums

(1 of each listed above)

\$17.00
POSTPAID
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Mum Culture and Care

OUR SURE-TO-BLOOM PLANTS

We believe our sure-to-bloom plants, grown from virgin cuttings, well established in 2¼-inch pots and sent to you with a ball of good soil about the roots are the most practical and economical to buy. These will make fine blooming plants by October. We have hundreds of letters in our files from nearly every state in the country telling us how well our plants have done in all sections. Many of these plants were shipped over 2000 miles and still did remarkably well.

CULTURE

Hardy Garden Mums are among the easiest of all hardy plants to grow. They will tolerate almost endless neglect and still survive and give some bloom. To have them at their best, give them good culture, a sunny location, a rich soil, and do not let them suffer for want of moisture during the hot summer.

Mums in the garden should be planted in an open, sunny location and should not be shaded by buildings, large shrubs or trees for more than three or four hours per day. Any fairly rich soil, be it sandy, clay or loam, that will grow other flowers and vegetables well, will also grow good Mums. Peat moss, leaf mold or barnyard manure worked into the soil is an excellent conditioner and much to their liking.

PLANTING

Spring is by far the best planting season. The proper planting time is when the spring garden work is well under way and the heavy, ice-freezing frosts are past. Planting can begin about the time early tulips begin to bloom and can be continued until peonies are in bloom. Here in southern Minnesota this would be from about late April until mid-June. Farther south this date would be advanced according to the climate. This gives the plants until fall to develop a good root system and enough top to give abundant bloom. Well-started plants grown in 2¼-inch pots and planted with a ball of earth around the roots are the most satisfactory. One-year-old, field-grown clumps seldom give satisfactory results, for they are hard to handle and there are usually not enough roots to support the many shoots that spring up. In replanting old clumps, always divide them into individual shoots. Those from the outside of the clump are the strongest and should be retained; discard the old stumpy center crown. Field-grown divisions packed with moss about the roots are often offered; these will usually grow but seldom give a good account of themselves.

SUMMER CARE

Good culture during the summer, with regular loosening up of the soil about the plants to maintain a constant supply of moisture, to aerate the ground, and to keep weeds from becoming established, is all that is necessary to grow good Mums. One or two applications of a well-balanced commercial fertilizer are beneficial but not absolutely necessary. Roughly, about a small handful of commercial fertilizer per plant at about one-month intervals is sufficient. The first application can be made in late July or early August. This highly concentrated fertilizer should not be used when the soil is dry, because foliage and root burn will result. Be sure that plenty of moisture is available at time of application.

WATERING

The best way to water Mums is to make a saucer-like depression about the plant, lay the hose on the ground, and let the water run slowly. The following day the soil can be loosened up and leveled again. A thorough watering like this should be sufficient for a week or ten days, even during the hottest and driest weather. Sprinkling the plants from overhead should be discouraged, for that invites foliage diseases. By keeping the foliage of Mums as dry as possible, spraying should not be necessary in order to grow a good crop of flowers.

PINCHING

To have sturdy and well-branched plants it is advisable to pinch the terminal shoots once or twice during the season. This operation is done with the thumb and forefinger and consists of removing about ½ inch of the soft growing tip of the main shoots. The first pinching should be done when the plants are about 6 inches tall, to induce lateral branches. When these lateral branches are 8 to 10 inches tall, their tips should be removed to induce more branches. Discontinue pinching by August 1, as the plants will soon be forming buds. The very early-blooming varieties should not be pinched after July 15. A well-pinched plant will not need staking or other support, since the growth will be strong and sturdy and will stand erect.

SPRAYING

We recommend a simple spray program in gardens that have a wide variety of plants, which naturally harbor insects and diseases. Mums, like many other plants, are subject to attack by aphid or plant lice. These are easily controlled by spraying with Nicotine Sulphate (Black-Leaf 40), which can be procured at any drug or department store.

One or two dustings during the summer with a 5 or 10 per cent DDT dust or spray will eliminate other insects that sometimes attack Mums, such as tarnished plant bug, leaf-hopper, leaf-rollers and the stalk borer. If you should have fungous trouble on the foliage, one or two sprayings with the new preparation called Fermate should keep your plants healthy.

In some parts of the East the foliar nematode has become very troublesome the past few seasons. Infected plants will lose their foliage, beginning at the bottom of the stalk, and by blooming time the entire plant may be defoliated. The dead leaves turn dark brown or black, become brittle and hang down along the stem. A half inch of tobacco dust mulch has been found effective in checking the spread of this pest.

Perhaps the best insurance against these pests and diseases is to be very critical of any newly acquired plant material. We have always prided ourselves on the health and vigor of our plants.

BLOOMING TIME

It has been definitely proved that Chrysanthemums are sensitive to light and that the length of day determines the blooming time for a given variety. Shading a late-blooming variety with black cloth for a few hours, both morning and evening, will hasten its normal blooming time by two or three weeks. Electric lights will retard its normal blooming period.

Since Minnesota is quite far north, where naturally the fall days are shorter than farther south, a given variety will normally bloom 20 days earlier here than in Texas. We are located approximately 200 miles north of Chicago, and we know that the same variety will begin blooming for us four or five days sooner than in Chicago. From this we deduct that perhaps two days for every 100 miles of latitude is about the average difference in blooming time. Interesting, isn't it?

WINTER PROTECTION

The purpose of winter protection is probably more to keep the cold in the ground than to keep it out. A favorable location, one which does not allow ice and water to stand over the plants, is very necessary. It is the alternate thawing and freezing that does the winter damage to garden Mums. After the tops have been killed by frost, the stems should be cut off 2 to 3 inches above the crown and burned to prevent the spread of foliage disease. We have found that any light, porous material that will remain more or less dry during the winter is ideal for covering. Excelsior, evergreen boughs, marsh hay, and cornstalks are very good if applied *after the ground is slightly frozen*. Leaves applied and kept dry with a waterproof covering will also make very fine covering.

Our Fall Mum Show

"The Mums are blooming" has become a long-awaited and familiar greeting to thousands of Mum-lovers here in Minnesota and throughout the United States. When the days cool down and the leaves begin to turn, thousands of people all over the country take their scheduled trip to Faribault to see the Mums in all their glory. They are never disappointed, for each year many new varieties have been perfected and placed on display. This year "the Mums were blooming" from September 14 to November 2, and 40,000 people joined us in enjoying this feast of flowers which is set up and maintained entirely for your pleasure and at no cost to you.

Here at The Lehman Gardens in Southern Minnesota you can see 100,000 Mum plants in our large, unprotected fields. During the late fall these fields are transformed into ribbons of colors and are a magnificent sight. However, it is not every year that we are favored with a late fall. To beat the elements, we have constructed ten very large beds in which we grow five plants each of over 500 varieties. These beds are protected and maintained through the entire show. Here you can see all varieties blooming side by side and can check heights, blooming dates, etc. Our very first varieties begin to bloom about mid-August. By mid-September a great many of the earlier kinds are in full bloom. Between September 25 and October 10 is usually when the flowers are at their best. We suggest that you come at the time you would want your Mums in full bloom and check the varieties that are in full bloom at that time. Also in these outdoor beds are many of our seedlings—the Mums of Tomorrow—in different stages of selection. Each

variety that is selected from a planting of seedlings is grown and tested for four or five seasons to be sure it is worthy of naming and introduction.

In case of bad weather (and we have it in Minnesota), we maintain a bounteous display of Mums in our five greenhouses. The first two greenhouses are replete with rows of tables running the full length of the buildings. On these are displayed thousands and thousands of beautiful Mum plants in every conceivable color. A sign advising "Don't Miss This!" directs one to the third greenhouse. Here, indeed, is a breathtaking sight! The entire greenhouse has been transformed into an outdoor living room. A graveled path winds its way around a pool with sprays of bubbling water and floating Mum blossoms, past huge beds of Mums of all colors to the east entrance where tall cornstalks surrounded with pumpkin give a festive autumn air to the scene. Placed at intervals along the garden path are gaily striped canvas-covered love seats where one may relax and enjoy the beauty of the place. Nearly 3,000 Mums have been planted on the three levels. The effect is startling, for great care has been exercised in the blending of harmonizing colors. All varieties are labeled, and many folks come each fall to pick out their varieties for the next season.

No matter the day or the weather—any time between September 15 and November 1 is the time to come to see the Mums. The display is maintained entirely for your pleasure, and we hope you, too, can come when "the Mums are blooming."

Kodachrome Slides

We have a set of Kodachrome Slides of Mums that makes an excellent free program for garden clubs, flower societies, study groups or church organizations. We gladly lend them to any reliable group entirely free of charge. This set contains more than 100 35 M.M. or 2-inch Kodachrome Slides, all about Mums. Pictures included are individual flowers, borders, garden and field scenes, and other pictures pertaining to Mums—all in full color. A short descriptive text accompanies the slides, which makes the showing time about one hour. The organization using the pictures need only supply the screen and projector.

If your group would like these slides for a future program, write us at least 30 days in advance, specifying the date of your meeting, and, if possible, an alternate date. You will receive a confirmation of your reservation. The slides will be mailed to reach you ahead of your meeting. We ask that you return them promptly, so that the next group may get them on time. Labels and postage for returning them will be supplied by us.

Here is what people who have seen the slides have told us:

Arthur, Ill.: They provided one of the most interesting meetings of the year for our garden club.—Mrs. R.H.D.

Pittsburgh, Penna.: I can say without hesitation that these were the nicest slides I have ever shown. Everyone with whom I talked thought they were beautiful.—D.B.V.

Camden, S. C.: The slides were very lovely and provided us with a most enjoyable and profitable program. On behalf of our club, I would like to thank you for your generosity and courtesy in lending the slides to us.—Mrs. L.A.S.

Sharon, Penna.: The pictures were so colorful, unusual and such a bright spot on our November program.—Mrs. C.E.W.

We are sure that your organization would enjoy a program on Mums. For your reservation write to—

E. C. LEHMAN
The Lehman Gardens
Faribault, Minnesota

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MUM CHATTER

The past Mum blooming season here in Southern Minnesota was in many respects a disappointment. We had an excellent growing season up through Labor Day, and at that time we had high hopes of enjoying one of the finest blooming seasons we have ever experienced. However, following Labor Day the weather became very hot, with daytime temperatures from 90 to 95 degrees for several weeks. It also became extremely dry. The weather bureau reports that the fall of 1952 was the driest one in 116 years in Southern Minnesota. We received only $\frac{1}{2}$ inch of rain in ninety days—an all-time record low.

This combination of very high temperatures and dry weather just will not bring garden Mums into bloom on schedule. In late September we had a sudden switch in weather to nightly frosts. This caught many of the late season varieties in full bud, and inasmuch as the frost was very severe, many of them never opened up at all. The August and September blooming varieties were practically the whole show this past season. Our large unprotected fields never did come into a mass of color as they usually do. However, the thousands and thousands of people who visited our Mum show from September 14 to November 2 were not disappointed because we maintained an indoor show of over 10,000 plants and had over 600 varieties on display in a protected outdoor test garden.

Some of the old favorites that impressed us very highly again this fall were the following: **Beacon**, **Betty**, **Canary**, **Carnival**, **Charles Nye**, **Chiquita**, **Dainty**, **Golden Hours**, **Golden Mound**, **Moonbeams**, **Patricia Lehman**, **Remembrance**, **Shalimar** and **Tribute**. Among the newer things we liked Bristol's **Jubilee** and **Alex Cumming** very much. Conard-Pyle's new red **Success** was outstandingly good. It is an extremely large, brilliant red that should go places in the future. Dr. Kraus has given us three extremely fine new things that are the result of crossing his Hardy Mums with the early English varieties.

Apache, one of the new ones being introduced this year, is a bright firecracker-red. In our estimation this is one of the finest new things developed since **Charles Nye** and **Olive Longland** were introduced. We predict a bright future for it and would not be surprised to see it among the eight or ten most popular in some of the future popularity polls. **Malinda Brown** is an extremely fine lavender and **Goldheart** a large light primrose aging white. These two will do much to brighten many flower gardens. **Biretta** and **Crown Jewel** are two new reds that we are introducing this year. These have proved themselves superior in our tests here in Southern Minnesota. Among the newer spoon Mums we like **Pumpkin Spoon** and **Blushwhite** best of all. Several other outstanding spoons are **Garnet Spoon**, **Gold Spoon** and **Loveliness Spoon**.

We had reports from all over the country of a generally unfavorable season, with hot and dry weather being the cause. But as Mrs. H. M. of Clinton, Okla., says, "Here it is a challenge each year to raise Mums, but just one good sniff in the fall when the Mums are out, well repays me for all the worry and work."

Our letters from all parts of the country will give you an idea of just what varieties are favorites around the States:

Mrs. I. P. of Canon City, Colo., writes: "This year I have very much enjoyed those darling buttons, **Chiquita** and **Rosita**. They bloomed together. Everyone that saw them was thrilled by them. **Holiday** is a favorite, too."

A report from Mrs. R. B. of Maysville, Ky., says: "Am especially enthused over **Olive Longland**, **Masquerade**, **Betty**, **Courageous**, **Patricia Lehman** and **Beacon**. They were all just lovely."

From Comfrey, Minn., Mrs. M. R. relates: "**Lee Powell** was especially admired by friends and neighbors last year. Others outstanding in our garden were **Kathleen Lehman**, **Dawnrose**, **Gladness**, **Chiquita** and **Autumn Beauty**."

Mrs. E. B. of Salem, Va., reports: "Was very pleased with **Lee Powell**, which I bought from you last year. In spite of a very dry and hot summer, it bloomed magnificently and was greatly admired by all my friends."

Mrs. H. M. of Clinton, Okla., goes on to say, "A few that do wonderfully here are: **Olive Longland**, a beauty, it never fails; **Courageous** is very good, as is **Defiance**, a riot of color. **Chippewa** does well here but we are trying **Myrtle Walgreen** at your suggestion. **Tangerine** and **The Lehmans** are all good; **Beacon** is grand. **Magnificent** is wonderful, and **Betty** is also nice."

From Mr. C. G. of Johnstown, Penna., we received these comments: "I would like to report that **Jayeff** grew into a large, sturdy plant. I received honorable mention with it in the Pittsburgh show. The blooms were about $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in width. It is one of the best varieties in this color I have tried. I like it better than **Betty**. Your **Pumpkin Spoon** was without a doubt the best spoon I have ever raised; a big plant with hundreds of blooms took first in blooms and third in sprays in Pittsburgh show. **Sulphur Spoon** was also good. **Lee Powell** was the best yellow I grew this year as well as last year. **Red Glow** and **Alert** were also fine. The latter withstood the frost better than any other variety I had this year. **Malinda Brown** was also very good. Should be quite a bloom if budded."

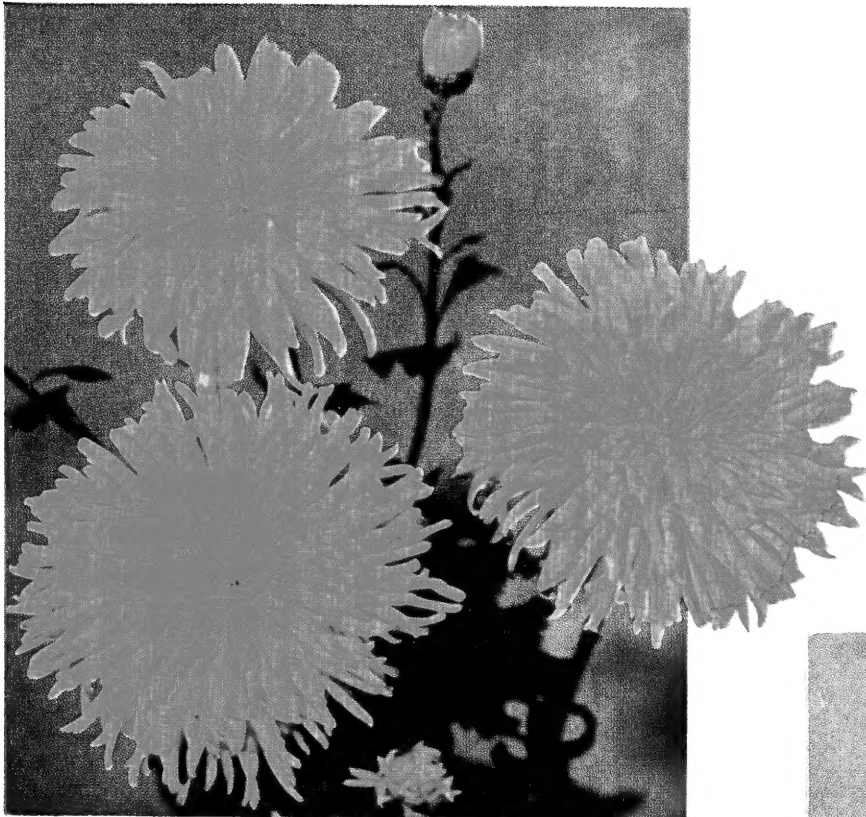
Mrs. C.W.D. of Trenton, Mo., says: "**Chiquita** was a great favorite—never had one do better or blooms last longer. **Rosita** made more growth and had lots of bloom but I wasn't too pleased with the color. **Myrtle Walgreen** was very satisfactory. The plant was still pretty in the garden when freeze came."

Mr. W.O.C., South Lincoln, Mass., writes: "**Alert**, **Hazlewood**, **Magnificent** and **Beacon** were the top favorites among my customers. **Red Glow** and **Remembrance** were excellent, robust, and profuse bloomers."

Mrs. K.M.G., Grand Junction, Colo., says: "**Lee Powell**, **Betty**, **Golden Hours**, **Magenta Spoon** and **Autumn Greetings** were out of this world. **Yellow Blanket** was so different, and **Orchid Helen** was a sight for sore eyes. **Pink Princess** was simply loaded with bloom. **Yellow Avalanche** was beautiful. **Joan Helen** was very pretty and showy."



Visitors strolling through our test garden in late October



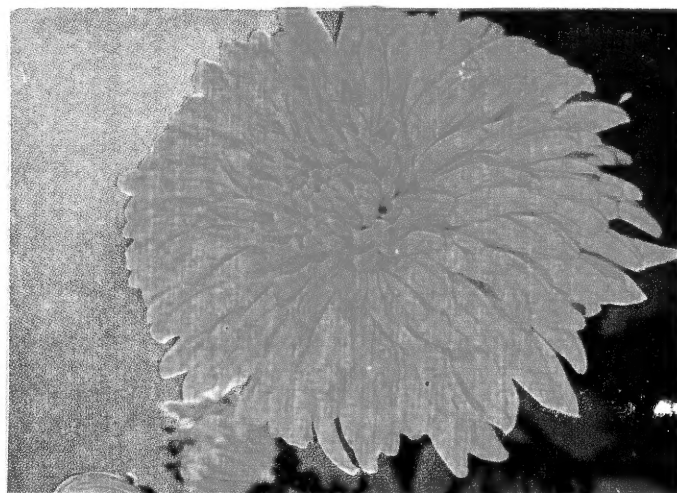
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